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1. On 25 March 1952, the Mufti returned to Beirut from Pakistan and contacted by telephone Rafik al-TAMIMI, Charge in Damascus, urging the latter to come immediately to Beirut for a discussion of matters concerning the Syrian Government. It was further reported that Ahmad YANESS, a Palestinian who was in charge of the Sacred Fighters in Egypt, and who is considered to be an active Communist, had left Egypt with the Mufti.
2. Upon TAMIMI's suggestion that the Mufti come instead to Damascus, the latter refused on the grounds that his time was running short and he expected to leave by air for Egypt on 26 March 1952. Later TAMIMI left for Beirut accompanied by the following, as requested by the Mufti:  

Shaykh Assad KADDURA  
Zeki ABDULRAHIM  
Husayn YANESS  
Ahmad al-KHATIB
3. Shortly thereafter the Mufti was recalled to Egypt by its authorities for investigation regarding the riots of 26 January.

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